GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
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SALES PURCHASES POLICY IN SUPER BAZAR
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether their is no fair policy in respect of purchases sales, and selection of items at competitive rates in Super Bazar; and

(b) if so, the steps the Government propose to ensure that the cooperative societies authorised to sell stationery and other items to Government Departmentsell quality items at most competitive prices and have a policy of sales and purchases based on law, keeping the interest of the public?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a) : Super Bazar has reported that they follow the policy of purchase of itemseither through competitive tender process or from manufacturers/distributors. Various checks like Market Intelligence, comparison of rates, quality checks, etc have been inbuiltto ensure reasonable purchase prices. As regards sales, the selling rate is fixed after adding processing costs (where applicable) and a reasonable profit margin. Items are selected depending upon consumer requirements.

(b) : Government have authorized the Kendriya Bhandar, the Super Bazar, Delhiand the NCCF for supply of stationery and other items to Government Departments locatedin and outside Delhi. The Government`s effort has been to give thrust to cooperative movement by encouraging the cooperative stores. But, to ensure quality and reasonable prices, it was essential to introduce an element of competition and thus authorization to the three cooperatives has been given.